

OFFICE OF RONALD REAGAN  
February 3, 1989

Dear Reverend Puchenski:

Thank you for your invitation for President Reagan to attend the diamond jubilee banquet in honor of the Immaculate Conception Parish to be held on October 22, 1989.

We appreciate your extending this opportunity to President Reagan. I regret to write that, due to their already committed schedules, they will be unable to accept your kind invitation. However, they asked me to convey to you their sincere appreciation for your thoughtfulness and to extend to you their very best wishes.

With best wishes,

Sincerely,  
*Alexandra Warfield*  
Alexandra Warfield  
Director of Planning and Scheduling

Reverend Anthony C. Puchenski  
Immaculate Conception Parish  
2745 West 44th Street  
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STATE OF ILLINOIS  
OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR  
JAMES R. THOMPSON  
GOVERNOR  
SPRINGFIELD 62706  
October 22, 1989

Greetings:

It is with great pleasure, as Governor of the State of Illinois, that I send congratulations to members of the Immaculate Conception Parish on the celebration of your Diamond Jubilee year.

I am sure the various festivities you have planned will hold many cherished memories as you reflect on past activities and plan for the future. The services and support which have been provided to the community and congregation through the past 75 years are outstanding and deserve special recognition.

Again, I would like to extend my best wishes on for your celebration.

Sincerely,  
*James R. Thompson*  
James R. Thompson  
GOVERNOR

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### Letters To Share . . .

DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE  
OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY OF DEFENSE  
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20301  
THE EXECUTIVE SECRETARY  
26 JAN 1989

Reverend Anthony C. Puchenski  
Pastor  
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Dear Reverend Puchenski:

Thank you for your letter of January 19, 1989 to the Secretary of Defense and for your kind invitation for him to join your parish banquet on October 22, 1989.

The Secretary's availability in October is uncertain and it is best that he regret at the outset so that you can continue with your plans.

Best wishes to all at the Immaculate Conception Parish as you celebrate your diamond jubilee year.

Sincerely,  
*George P. Cole, Jr.*  
George P. Cole, Jr.  
Colonel, U.S. Air Force

U.S. DEPARTMENT OF LABOR  
SECRETARY OF LABOR  
WASHINGTON, D.C.  
FEB 14 1989

Reverend Anthony C. Puchenski  
Pastor, Immaculate Conception Parish  
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Dear Father Puchenski:

I want to thank you very much for your kind invitation to take part in the Diamond Jubilee Celebration of the Immaculate Conception Parish. As much as I would like to be with you, I am sorry to say my schedule will not allow it.

Perhaps you will be kind enough to convey my greetings in this letter to your parishioners. At the Labor Department, we have a special fondness for Diamond Jubilee anniversaries, having celebrated our own last year.

I took particular note of your parish credo: to remember, to renew, to rebuild, and to continue in love. These words impressed me greatly. In fact, they seem to summarize what in a secular way we are working toward at the Labor Department.

First, we must remember that our primary obligation is to help workers, especially those who lack education or job skills. We must strive to renew their hope for the future. We must help rebuild their skills so they can find work to support themselves and their families. Finally, business, labor unions, educators, and government must work together to continue this cycle of growth and renewal.

I know your pledge to remember, renew, rebuild, and continue reflects a deep spiritual commitment by each parishioner. But these principles can be inspirational in worldly endeavors, as well. Your parish credo reminded me once again that government and public service are ultimately based on a love for people and what they can accomplish together.

May your parish be blessed with another 75 years to serve the people of the Brighton Park area.

Sincerely,  
*Elizabeth Dole*  
Elizabeth Dole

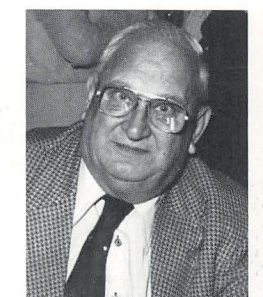
GREETINGS TO IMMACULATE CONCEPTION PARISH ON ITS  
DIAMOND JUBILEE FROM THE FAMILY OF ST. GEORGE PARISH  
(WE WILL BE 100 YEARS OLD IN 1992)

### Around the Parish . . .

Meet some other members of our Bingo Committee.



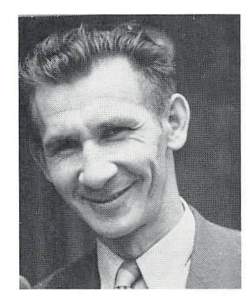
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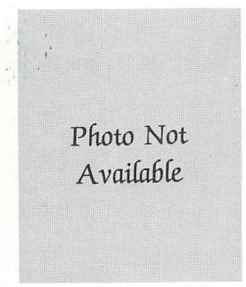


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A group of celebrators pose with Fr. Kireilis at our parish 65th anniversary banquet, 1979.



Father John Kuzinskas, administering to a young couple as they become Mr. and Mrs. 1987.



Father Kireilis, baptizing a new parishioner, 1988.



Bishop Abramovicz glances at camera as the installation service for Rev. Puchenski is about to begin, 1988.



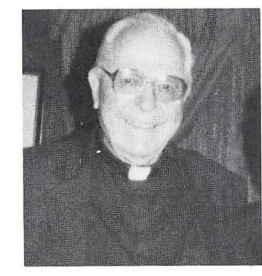
Fr. Tony and Sister Virginia pose with Joshua and Debbie Linzius, the winners of the school "bike" contest held in conjunction with the jubilee book. 1989



Fr. Puchenski listens as one of our older parishioners, Mr. Lindzius, tells him how it was. 1989



Deacon Joseph Panek and his wife Audrey, after ordination, 1989.



Rev. Vincent Daugintas is seen around our parish helping out during summer months.



Part of the group that helped Fr. Kireilis celebrate his 50th Anniversary in the Priesthood, 1989.